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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JULIO CESAR SOTO-RECINOS,

Defendant.

Case No. 1:21-MJ-00049 EPG (SEALED)

**APPLICATION AND
ORDER FOR APPOINTMENT OF
LEARNED COUNSEL**

SEALED

Defendant, Julio Cesar Soto-Recinos, through the Federal Defender for the Eastern District of California, hereby requests appointment of learned counsel pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3005 and 3006A. The Federal Defender recommends appointment of Mark Goldrosen of San Francisco, California, as learned counsel in the law applicable to capital cases. Soto-Recinos must have, at minimum, two counsel in this potential death penalty case. On May 26, 2022, CJA Panel attorney Michael McKneely was appointed as Second Chair in the matter. And Mr. Goldrosen's appointment should be effective *nunc pro tunc* as of June 6, 2022.

The under-seal Criminal Complaint filed May 21, 2021 charges Soto-Recinos in two counts: I. Murder in aid of racketeering, and II. Conspiracy to murder in aid of racketeering, both in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1959(a)(1) and (a)(5) and carrying maximum possible sentences of life or death. Mr. Soto-Recinos had his Initial Appearance on May 26, 2022 before Honorable Magistrate Judge Stanley A. Boone. Mr. Soto-Recinos submitted a Financial Affidavit and court appointed CJA counsel.

Dated: June 7, 2022

/s/ Eric V. Kersten
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ORDER

Having satisfied the Court that the defendant is financially unable to retain counsel, the Court hereby appoints learned counsel Mark Goldrosen *nunc pro tunc* as of June 6, 2022, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3005 and 3006A.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 8, 2022

/s/ Barbara A. McAuliffe
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE